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1. AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS SPEECH: SUBSTANTIAL PRESS PLAY  
CONTINUES. SPEECH NOW SEEN IN BETTER PERSPECTIVE.

(A) O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO EDITORIAL: " ... GOB IS  
INFILTRATED BY PERSONS TRYING SABOTAGE GOB'S ACTION AND  
DAMAGE NATION'S INTERESTS, ... EVEN INVENTING ABSURD, FALSE  
PROOFS THAT US ADOPTING STRATEGY DESIGNED TO ENCIRCLE  
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AND ISOLATE BRAZIL TO PREVENT OUR DEVELOPING OUR SOURCES

OF ENERGY. ... WHAT TOPIC COULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE FOR AN AMBASSADOR TO TALK ABOUT IN CEREMONY HONORING BICENTENNIAL OF HIS COUNTRY THAN BASIC VALUES OF HIS NATION CONTAINED IN DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, CONSTITUTION AND BILL OF RIGHTS -- WHICH INSPIRED CREATION OF AMERICAN NATION AND PUT IT ON PATH TO BECOME GREAT POWER? THIS INTRIGUE HAS BEEN NULLIFIED BY AMBASSADOR'S CLEAR, SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION AND THANKS TO JUDICIOUS, PRAISEWORTHY ATTITUDE OF BRAZILIAN FONMIN. SILVEIRA NOT ONLY STOOD APART FROM UNFAIR CAMPAIGN, HE CLEARLY REFUTED THOSE WHO WERE PROMOTING IT. ..." (NOV. 27).

(B) WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINE VEJA DATED DECEMBER ONE SAYS: "AS APPROPRIATE IN A SPEECH ON US BICENTENNIAL, CRIMMINS ... EMPLOYED PARTS OF FAMOUS INTRODUCTION TO DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, USING ALMOST SAME WORDS AS JEFFERSON, ON JULY 4, 1776. ... THIS WAS ENOUGH TO GENERATE EXTRAVAGANT SPECULATION IN BRASILIA OFFICES, WHERE HYPERSENSITIVE OFFICIALS ARE ALERT TO ANY HINT OF POSSIBLE CHANGES IN US POLICY TOWARD BRAZIL, WITH ARRIVAL OF DEMOCRAT JIMMY CARTER IN WHITE HOUSE. AN ANXIOUS READING-BETWEEN-THE-LINES OF CRIMMINS' SPEECH IN BELO ... PRODUCED UNREASONABLE DEDUCTIONS. ALTHOUGH GOB FONOFF MADE NO COMMENT ON MATTER, PEEVED BRAZILIAN DIPLOMATS IMMEDIATELY SAW IN AMERICAN AMBASSADOR'S REFERENCES TO HUMAN RIGHTS THE FIRST PUBLIC SIGN OF ANTICIPATED PRESSURE BY WASHINGTON AGAINST BRAZIL-WEST GERMANY NUCLEAR AGREEMENT. ..."

2. NUCLEAR POLICY: ALTHOUGH O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO AND JORNAL DA TARDE EDITORIALISTS RECENTLY COMMENTED UNDERSTANDINGLY ON US POSITION ON REPROCESSING PLANTS, FOLHA DE SAO PAULO CONTINUES TO SEE "U.S. PRESSURE ON BRAZIL-WEST GERMANY NUCLEAR AGREEMENT" AS UNJUSTIFIABLE. FOLHA EDITORIAL: "TRUE REASON FOR CARTER STATEMENTS AGAINST GOB NUCLAER PROGRAM IS COMMERCIAL INTEREST ... AND DESIRE TO KEEP BRAZIL FOREVER IN TOTAL TECHNOLOGICAL DEPENDENCE. ... IT IS REGRETTABLE THAT SOME BRAZILIAN MEDIA ... TRY TO CONFUSE QUESTION OF BRAZIL'S NUCLEAR-ENERGY PROBLEM WITH DISPOSAL OF ATOMIC WASTE. WHAT IS AT ISSUE IS ... ACCESS OF A SOVEREIGN, INDEPENDENT BRAZIL TO COMPLETE FUEL CYCLE. AT STAKE IS NOT FUTURE OF WASTES, BUT FUTURE OF OUR NATION." (NOV. 28).

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